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By DICK LITTEN, Brother to Sir ANTHONY LITTEN, BARONET, who was ſo created on *September* 15th 1749, By His HIGHNESS, CHARLES LUCAS, LORD PROTECTOR OF INDEPENDANCY.

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MY Brother being engaged in a cloſe Examination of your former Stated Caſe, which he cannot quit upon any Account, has ordered me to make up an ANTIDOTE for your HIGHNESS's new Complaints, and to rectify your Miſtakes about thoſe he has already tranſmitted.

Though he is accuſed of ſome Errors in his Practice, he hopes they will be found, to proceed only from the want of that ſolid Solemnity, which commonly conſtitutes a Fool.——But Recrimination cannot help your Diſorder.—— I have obſerved, ever ſince I ſtudied your Caſe, (which you judge rightly, happened only, ſince you fell unmercifully upon that poor dead JUDGE; who it ſeems had no Man to take his Part, but my Brother or me,) that you never defend yourſelf, but like the old Romans; (becauſe you will be a ROMAN every Way.) You think the beſt way to defend ROME, is to attack CARTHAGE: But you miſtake that Matter; for you have not Strength enough to defend your ſelf at Home, and to offend your Enemy Abroad at the ſame Time; ſo as to force him to retire from before your Walls.

It was really unkind of you to fall ſo foully upon my Brother and me, and the whole Family, and ſo publickly, until you tried how your puny private Efforts would have operated upon a certain BARONET, who might perhaps have prevail'd with us to have deſiſted, leſt all the giddy Follies of his Youth ſhould be laid open by a DRAWCANSIR, who ſpares neither Man or Woman in his Wrath. But you will be

ſurpriſed

ſurpriſed to find how this ſame BARONET has outwitted you. He has ſent all your *Anonymous* Letters to our *Family Printer*, to expoſe to the View of all Mortals, and to be copied by every Perſon that ſhall think it worth his while. I will ſhew now the Conſequence of all this.——It will appear, that he has a manly Contempt of all you can ſay or write againſt him,—— and of all the Affidavits you can procure from old drunken Chairmen, or Shoe-cleaners;—— and that he is very ſure, the World will look upon moſt you ſay to be Falſe, and the reſt miſrepreſented, through Malice and Revenge, for the Check *our Family* has given you, in making your own and the TRAGICAL FARMER's Fortune, by your Oratory, and natural Art of Perſuaſion.——Then it will appear clearly, that the Letters proceeded from a malignant INCENDIARY; becauſe though they are pretended to come from different Perſons, nay, from ſundry Corporations, they are the Work of one Hand;——that all Methods of bullying, coaxing, whining, lying, frightning and beſpattering, were tried, to ſee which could have the deſired Effect;——— and that it muſt be a very infamous and an expiring Cauſe, that needs ſuch Bolſters.———Theſe Reflections will be naturally made, and People will ſhun you, as they would a Pick-Pocket:

Pocket: And then you did not conſider of what evil Conſequence it is, to terrify a MEMBER of PARLIAMENT from attending his MAJESTY's SUMMONS, and his COUNTRY's SERVICE; and how it would be reſented by all real FREEMEN, that a FREEMAN of the CITY, made ſo for Services really performed for the CITY, ſhould be intimidated from going to the Election of REPRESENTATIVES, for fear of loſing a THUMB or an EAR, by a rude Mob.—— Why Man, you did not conſider what you were doing.— If you were elected, thoſe very Letters would overſet your Election.—— Nay, if the Hand-Writing can be proved, and it is ten to one but ſomebody will hit upon it, the *hated* JUDGES will ſoon eaſe the Town of one of its greateſt *Nuſances*.—— I know you thought the BARONET would not publiſh his own Diſgrace: But there again you are out; for he receives your Abuſe, as the higheſt Mark of Dignity.

Now to the MIROR, which indeed is a WONDERFUL Performance. I do not mean to touch a bit of its Filth, that affects only our *living Family*.—— The CENSOR, you remember, was called upon to prove theſe Points,

That

That M'Curtin *was an inoffenſive, honeſt, poor Man.—That he was committed to Newgate, by Lord Chief Juſtice* Cox, *for writing a ſilly, harmleſs Book. —That he was kept there cloſe confined above a Year.—That he was then, without Accuſation or Trial, PRIVATELY releaſed.—*
And, that he was bribed to Silence.

Every one of theſe Facts the CENSOR muſt prove, before he can get rid of the deteſtable Character of a baſe DEFAMER of that Man, who was *truly Amiable* when living.

But pray let us ſee how this Man of LIBERTY, or one of his HACKNEYS, for it is juſt the ſame to me, who pretends ſuch a Love and Reverence for the LAWS, proceeds to do this Work, which lies upon him. — By doing much greater Injuſtice to the private Character, and by INCENDIARY like, endeavouring by this Lure, to revive a Party-Diſpute long ſince dead and buried; by publiſhing a Reſolution of the COMMONS againſt LORD CHIEF JUSTICE COX.

But

But I ſhall wave Objections, that may anſwer his Purpoſe, and only make a few, which this Man, who would have us believe, he underſtands the CONSTITUTION better than any Perſon alive; and who ſwears himſelf black in the Face, that he loves LIBERTY better than his Life, did not, I ſuppoſe, take into his Contemplation.

Firſt, The Reſolution he mentions, as well as the reſt againſt the JUDGES, were made upon Copies of Papers, laid before the Committee.

Secondly, The ſaid *Culprit* did not fly for the ſame, but ſubmitted to Juſtice, and tho' he was voted guilty of high Crimes and Miſdemeanours, he never ſuffered in Perſon or Fortune; for his Place he had loſt long before.

Thirdly, Votes of this Sort in the Houſe of Commons, are but Accuſations, not Condemnations.

Fourthly, I have CHARLES LUCAS's Word and Authority for it, that the Houſe of COMMONS, which made that Reſolution, was not of ſufficient Character to hurt any Man's Reputation.

For

For he the ſaid CHARLES LUCAS, in the latter Part of his *Twelfth Addreſs*, ſpeaking of the Proceeding of the Court of Exchequer in 1719, ſaith thus: *From theſe Abuſes and Incroachments, you may likewiſe learn, how much depends upon the Freedom, Wiſdom and Virtue of your* COMMONS. *Had your* REPRESENTATIVES *been endowed with the requiſite Qualifications, in thoſe Days, no Judges, or other Officers of the State, would have dared to oppreſs or injure Individuals.*

I ſuppoſe, Mr. MIROR, you will now think it requiſite, that the CENSOR ſhould prove the Story of *McCurtin*, or reaſonable that he ſhould keep the Compliments my *Brother* paſſed him in his firſt Letter.—And I believe he will chuſe to do this, rather than to ſhew that *McCurtin* publiſhed a Book, *highly reflecting on the* ENGLISH GOVERNMENT, *and favouring the Cauſe of* POPERY *and the* PRETENDER: This, I hear, was the Caſe, and is ſo like CHARLES LUCAS's own Doctrine, that he will not venture to bring it upon the Stage. And truly, I believe *McCurtin* was his TUTOR, and that he gratefully promiſed to make a publick Example of the JUDGE.—

Say, CENSOR, was it not ſo?—Let us hear Truth once out of your Mouth.

The next Charge worth taking notice of, is a *Bribe of* 500 *l.* mentioned firſt in the CENSOR, and repeated by you, given to a GENTLEMAN whom the World cannot miſtake. This is abſolutely falſe; a LIE of the firſt Magnitude. There was a Rumour, that the TRUSTEES of the LINEN-MANUFACTURE gave that GENTLEMAN 500 *l.*: But it was only a Rumour, and Rumours ought not to be publiſhed for Facts; nor would they by *honeſt Men*: But if it had been given, it could not have been a *Private* Bribe. He got Encouragement from the Board, in the ordinary way, and has made good Uſe of it; and hopes to have their Favours continued and increaſed, and will deſerve them, more and more. Make the moſt of all that, thou wicked INCENDIARY.

Now a Word for his Argument and Comment upon the ANTIDOTE, which manifeſtly is doing the Work it went out for. *You would have my Brother leave out thoſe plaguy, civil, loyal Words. The ghaſtly, the deadly Wound now lies open and bleeding! It is yours alone, Great Sir, to apply the comforting, the healing Balm.* Why, you think you can as eaſily deſtroy Senſe and Grammar,

mar, as you can *quell Giants.* Know then, that the Reference to MAGNA CHARTA, would have been of no Uſe, without thoſe Words in the Dedication.

Attend now, Courteous Reader, to the groſſeſt Piece of Knavery, that was ever tranſacted in this Way. The MIROR, in his 14th Page expreſſes himſelf thus, ——" You are not leſs unhappy in your " next Attempt, to blaſt the INCENDIA- " RY: *For you take your Quotation from* " *His Second Addreſs, falſely, or from an* " *Incorrect Impreſſion. For every one may* " *ſee, that what you except againſt, is cleared* " *up by the word JUST.* So that inſtead " of ANY EMERGENCY, you muſt read, " when you are inclined to Truth and " Juſtice, on any JUST EMERGENCY."

My Brother fortunately took notice of this Alteration, in his fifth Number, before he or I ſaw the *Miror*, and we were both ſure then, that it was intended for ſome evaſive Defence.

But it ſhall now be put into a clear Light, that the Candid Reader may obſerve, the Unfairneſs, the Villainy, and wicked Practice of the INFERNAL INCENDIARY and his MIROR.

In the fourth Edition of the Second Addreſs, printed *Auguſt* 1748, by *JAMES KELBURN*, and I ſuppoſe in the Preceding Editions, *if in Truth there were any Preceding*, were theſe Words, *viz.*

From the ſame Motive, incapable as I am of the Taſk, if the Citizens of Dublin *commanded me, on any Emergency, to lead an Army for them, I ſhould certainly obey them.*

Thus it was quoted truly in the firſt Number of the SURGEON's ANTIDOTE. As ſoon as CATALINE and his Gang found their PLOT was traced and diſcovered, they had, I ſuppoſe, another Edition printed off by *JAMES ESDALL*, and called the Sixth Edition, wherein it ſtood thus, *viz.* "

From the ſame Motive, incapable as I am of the Taſk, if the Citizens of *Dublin* SHOULD command me, on *any JUST Emergency, to lead an Army for them, I ſhould certainly, THINK IT MY DUTY to obey them.*

The Words in CAPITALS are the *Additionals*, which you ſee manifeſtly are all added, to make the whole conſiſtent.

You

You ſee here an Edition provided, on Purpoſe to throw Reflections of *Falſhood and Injuſtice* upon my Brother.

Stand forth you innocent SHERIFFS and COMMONS, and your EXCELLENT ADVOCATE *JAMES TAYLOR*, and ſee your ignominious Accuſer, plainly DETECTED; nay DETECTED in meaning all the ill he was charged with, in his firſt Edition. Let not this providential Evidence be loſt: Shew it to Man, Woman and Child, in your City. Let the baſe INCENDIARY have no more Subterfuges. Carry with you his Lies, that are recorded in my Brother's fifth Number, and prepare the Minds of all PROTESTANTS to receive a full Manifeſtation of His treacherous and bloody Purpoſes, to ſet the PAPISTS once more maſſacring the PROTESTANTS. Out of His own Mouth ſhall he be condemned. All the Water in the Sea cannot waſh him clean.——— Nor all the DRUNKEN, OLD CHAIRMEN in *Dublin* ſwear him out of this his Infernal DEVICE.

Bid the MIROR ſhew, where in the ANTIDOTE he finds, FALSENESS of the

the TRACT, which he ſneers at, with his learned and elegant Adverbs.

Bid him ſhew, where the ANTIDOTE ſays that the INCENDIARY *muſt be EXPELLED.* The whole Sentence in the ANTIDOTE is thus, " Will you ſend " a Perſon there (to Parliament) who you " muſt believe in your Conſciences, if you " have not loſt your old *Conſtitutional* Princi- " ples, OUGHT TO BE EXPELLED, the " Inſtant he takes his Place." What now becomes of all the inflammatory Stuff that follows? Is not PATRIOTISM a Virtue? Can a PATRIOT lie? Can a PATRIOT willfully deceive? Yes; a PATRIOT, who writes to vindicate the dirty JOBS of a BARRACK-BOARD, and to abuſe GENTLEMEN, for ſearching to the Bottom of Iniquity, may write in Favour of REBELLION, DISAFFECTION, and all IMMORALITY, and ſtill call himſelf a PATRIOT.

I have but one thing more to obſerve; that is with Relation to CHANGE of OPINION. I believe there is hardly a Man in this Part of *IRELAND*, that did not think as wildly, as the INCENDIARY, whilſt he ſaw nothing for him to ſubſiſt by, but the WOOLLEN-MANUFACTURE, and

and that every Day ſeized and confiſcated. But ſince every Body is convinced, that the LINEN-MANUFACTURE is now become the STAPLE of the KINGDOM, and that the Benefit thereof is ſenſibly felt here, as well as in other Parts; every ſenſible Man muſt ſee, that the Intereſt of *IRELAND* is as much altered, with Reſpect to *GREAT-BRITAIN*, as that of any two Countries in EUROPE: And I have no Doubt, but I ſhall ſoon hear the INCENDIARY and his ADMIRERS bellowing againſt the LINEN-MANUFACTURE, and the Promoters thereof, as INSLAVERS of this KINGDOM, and Betrayers of it's INDEPENDANCY.

N. B. The MIROR has not been ſo kind, as to inform the World, upon what Terms the *INDEPENDANT INCENDIARY* means to take the *ENGLISH OATHS*, in an *IRISH HOUSE OF COMMONS*. Until this be done ſatisfactorily, *FREE ELECTORS* cannot be expected to throw away their *VOTES*. Perhaps he means this for a future Diſſertation; I hope it will not be put off long, becauſe it is fit the *CITIZENS* ſhould have Time to conſider it.

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